

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2621 – HB 3200

April 5, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015917): Deletes Section 2 of the original bill and adds a new Section 3. The new Section 2 replaces the word “counseling” with the word “assessment” as the support service that LEAs randomly drug testing students must supply students who test positive for drugs. The support program must include an assessment to determine the severity of the student’s addiction and a recommendation for referral to an intervention or treatment program as appropriate. LEAs shall use existing resources to supply testing materials and any subsequent counseling.

Section 3 requires LEAs adopting such policies to notify the parents or guardians that students participating in voluntary extracurricular activities may be subject to random testing and to notify the parents or guardian before any drug test is administered to the student. Requires LEAs to obtain written consent from the parents or guardian before the student randomly chosen is tested.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase Local Expenditures - \$355,200/Permissive

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

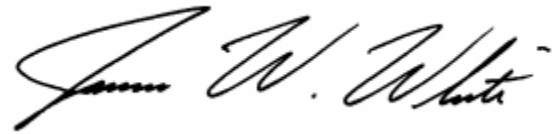
Assumptions applied to amendment:

- LEAs may still choose whether or not to implement random drug testing for students who participate in voluntary extracurricular activities.
- Replacing the word “counseling” with the word “assessment” will have no fiscal impact.
- LEAs will give notice to parents or guardians and obtain written consent before randomly drug testing without a significant increase in local expenditures.

- No impact on state expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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